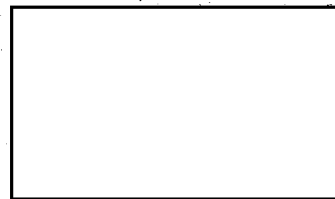


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**VIA: Deputy Director (Plans)**

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